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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
Shila JALALI *et al.*)
Serial No.: 09/724,909)
Filed: November 28, 2000)
Title: Microstructure Apparatus and Method)
for Separating Differently Charged)
Molecules Using an Applied Electric Field)

Group Art Unit: 1753

Examiner: Mutschler, B.

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action dated September 29, 2003, Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, Group I (claims 1-50) drawn to a system for separating sample molecules.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning the above election or the application in general, the Examiner may contact the undersigned at his convenience.

Favorable action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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4. Constructive Petition

- ☒ EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

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